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**The Daily Press.**

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HONGKONG, 29th JANUARY, 1904

Two telegrams, dated the 9th January, and sent through BEUTER's agency to India, but not transmitted to China or the Straits, announced, one that "the new treaty between France and Siam will assign the whole of Luang Prabang to the French sphere," and the other that, according to the Standard's Paris correspondent, "after the ratification of the new Franco-Siamese treaty, on the 15th February, Siam would cede to France the territory conceded to it and appoint delegates to meet for the delimitation of the frontier between Cambodia and Siam, while France evacuates Chantaboon." It appears from this that, as indeed had been foreshadowed, the new treaty is a re-enactment with slight modifications of the treaty concluded between France and Siam toward the end of 1893 but never ratified. By the former treaty Siam ceded to France the provinces of Bassak and Meluprey, on the western bank of the Mekong, together with a small piece of territory in the province of Angkor on the shores of the Great Lake. Siam was also to bind herself to seek French assistance preferentially in constructing ports, canals, or railways in the Mekong basin. In return France was to evacuate Chantaboon, which she has held since 1893, and to permit Siam to keep native troops, officered by natives, on her bank of the Mekong, which by the establishment of the neutral zone by the 1893 agreement she was not allowed to do. This treaty of 1902 was one-sided enough, seeing that the evacuation of Chantaboon had been delayed by France on the flimsiest pretext and that the neutral zone had proved a curse alike to France and Siam by providing an asylum for desperate characters where no troops could follow them. Nevertheless the French Colonials did not consider the convention advantageous enough to their country, and

therefore engineered that it should not be ratified. The hand of M. Douriez, the well known ex-Governor of French Indo-China, was plainly evident herein. Bullying Siam had been one of his favourite pursuits, and he returned to France determined to carry on the sport to the utmost in conjunction with the "forward" party there. M. Beau, his successor in Indo-China, however, has not lent himself well to the schemes of the expansionists, and it was not until the end of last year that Franco-Siamese relations again reached an acute stage. The 1902 treaty then lapsed, unratified, and telegrams at once began to tell of hostile preparations on the Siamese frontier, while the Colonial party's journals became more violently anti-Siamese. Happily the French Government is not the truculent aggressor that the Colonial party would wish it to be, and now it seems that the treaty has been patched up. France gets extra privileges, though their nature is not clear from the telegrams quoted above. The Luang Prabang mentioned is apparently the name of the whole district, for the town of that name on the east bank of the Mekong is already French, like all the territory on that bank. One might be tempted to think that Luang Prabang is a misreading for Battambang (sometimes called Patabang), the adjoining province to Angkor, for the greater part of Battambang is in the French sphere of influence as defined in the Anglo-French Declaration of 1896. However, it is obvious that an understanding with Britain must precede any extension of the French sphere, especially in the south, where an advance of boundaries means a nearer approach to Bangkok itself. It is not, of course, unlikely that such an understanding may exist; in fact, a rumour somewhat to that effect was announced by our London correspondent some months ago. The French Government made no protest with regard to recent events in Kelantan and Tringganu last year, though the Press of course did not pass the matter over in silence. Then, however, there was no infringement of Siam's sovereign rights by Britain; indeed, in the case of Kelantan, Siam's suzerainty was put on a more definite footing than ever before. We notice in a more recent number of the *Pall Mall Gazette* an article on Great Britain in the Malay Peninsula, in which it is stated that "to the far-sighted there is but one forecast to be made as regards our policy in the Peninsula—it must become 'all red.'" The writer continues—"We must avoid giving our Gallic neighbour a pretext for further activity, while safeguarding and strengthening our own position, but, nevertheless, annexation, or rather federation of the Siamese Protected States with the Federated Malay States, must come." With or without pretext, France is now wresting from Siam two provinces and part of a third, and the ebbing-away of Siam on the eastern frontier continues briskly. We see that the Times of Ceylon, commenting on the telegrams of the 9th instant, remarks:—

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A Naval Football League match took place in the Happy Valley yesterday between the Ocean and Albion teams. The Albions were no match for their opponents, who seemed to enjoy playing in the prevailing high wind and scored a fairly easy victory. A large naval crowd, with a sprinkling of soldiers, watched the game.

THE P. & O. mail boat *Himalaya* carried through the Canal the largest eastward mail ever carried in one ship—3821 bags.

Four hundred and ninety-eight Boers, "de la Rey's converts," who recently took the oath of allegiance, left Bombay on the 9th inst. by the Indian Marine steamer *Clive* for Durban. Four rebels also left with them. The Commando Rangers supplied the escort. The Boers seemed heartily glad to get away.

Port Arthur, in the opinion of Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent, is over-fortified. All the positions cannot be defended, and not half of them have yet got any guns. The Russians are preparing for an investment at Port Arthur, but will make a fight to secure Dalny from occupation, which would be necessary for railroad purposes, but they are very nervous about China's possible attitude.

It may be remembered that on the 13th inst. we published a telegram from our London correspondent announcing the loss of the steamer *Cladom*, off Smith's Island, Vancouver, with 53 deaths. Reuter's telegram to Cayton confirms this, stating that "The small steamer *Cladom* (sic) has foundered off Victoria, British Columbia. Three boats were launched, filled with women and children, but were swamped and the occupants perished. 53 persons were drowned and 33 were saved."

The following Hongkong Volunteer promotions have been made:—Lieut. B. W. Grey is promoted Corporal with effect from 2nd January, 1904, vice Corporal B. C. M. Johnson, struck off the strength; Bombardier R. S. Piercy is promoted Corporal with effect from 17th January, 1904, vice Corporal C. H. P. Hey, resigned; Gunner H. K. Holmes is promoted Bombardier with effect from 2nd January, 1904, vice Bombardier Grey, promoted; Gunner W. M. Black is promoted Bombardier with effect from 17th January, 1904, vice Bombardier Piercy, promoted.

We understand from advices just received from Europe, that Capt. Barnes-Lawrence, R.N., has been appointed Harbour Master of Hongkong, in place of the Hon. Murray Rumsey, I.S.O., but lately retired. Capt. Lawrence, with wife and family, are on their way out by the P. & O. steamer *Java*, due in Hongkong on or about the 20th proximo. Many readers will no doubt remember Capt. Lawrence when he was on the station some fourteen years ago in, we think, H.M. cruiser *Sennen*.

Among the many letters with reference to Japan appearing in the home papers recently (practically all, it is to be noted, strongly pro-Japanese) is one in the *Globe*, signed "W. J. H.", from which we take the following:—The beliefs of old Confucius are embodied in the Japanese nature, blended, however, with what the Quaker nation, the Chinese, looks, viz., patriotism, and the duty of the son towards the murderer of his father may well stand for the patriotism of the Japanese officer or man towards his country's "neighbour a protest for further activity, while safeguarding and strengthening our own position, but, nevertheless, annexation, or rather federation of the Siamese Protected States with the Federated Malay States, must come." With or without pretext, France is now wresting from Siam two provinces and part of a third, and the ebbing-away of Siam on the eastern frontier continues briskly. We see that the Times of Ceylon, commenting on the telegrams of the 9th instant, remarks:—

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

THE WHITAKER WRIGHT CASE.

LONDON, 28th January, 12.45 p.m.

A GREAT SCOUNDREL'S END.

Whitaker Wright died after swallowing a dose of cyanide of potassium. At the inquest a verdict of suicide was brought in. A loaded revolver was found in his pocket.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

SENSATIONAL CABINET SPLIT DENIED.

LONDON, 26th January.

The Daily News states that the results of the recent prolonged Cabinet meetings are the imminent resignations of the Marquess of Lansdowne (Foreign Affairs), the Marquess of Londonderry (Lord President of Council), and Mr. Gerald Balfour (President, Board of Trade), as a protest against Mr. Balfour's endorsement of Chamberlainite candidates and his allowing Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy generally to displace his own.

LATER.

The statement of the Daily News re impending resignations from the Cabinet are untrue.

THE WHITAKER WRIGHT TRIAL.

LONDON, 28th January.

Whitaker Wright was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. After the sentence was passed Whitaker Wright collapsed and died within a few minutes.

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

RUSSIAN RECRUITS PASS THROUGH HONGKONG.

The Russian s.s. *Kazan*, from Odessa, cleared at the Harbour Office yesterday. She has some 2,000 tons of general cargo, and 1,830 recruits for Port Arthur. The Russian s.s. *Malaya* arrived from Port Arthur yesterday in ballast. Shortly after her arrival she cleared for Odessa. Messrs. Molchers & Co. are agents for both vessels. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha s.s. *Tambo-maru*, from Antwerp, with a heavy cargo for Japan, including a large quantity of explosives. Strong monsoon was experienced. The Russian gun-boat *Djigit* left Shanghai on the 22nd inst.

MURDER IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

Fan Mat Tai was arrested on Wednesday afternoon, for the murder of Li Hung Ku, a coolie, at Yia Lang village, in the New Territory. He was placed before Mr. T. Scobell Smith at the Magistracy yesterday, when, after evidence of arrest had been taken, the case was remanded until Thursday, the 3rd prox.

CRICKET.

The following will play for the Garrison against the H.K.C. to-morrow, the 30th January: play commences at noon.

Major Chichester, D.S.O., Capt. Kirkpatrick, R.G.A., Capt. Davies, A.O.C., Lieut. Chesney, R.E., Lieut. Cooper, R.E., Lieut. Heath, 110th Mahratta, Lieut. Hodgson, S.F., Lieut. Pledge, S.F., Lieut. Dobyns, R.G.A., and Corporal Bradford, A.O.C.

THE YORKSHIRE DINNER.

At a meeting of Yorkshiremen held in the ante-room of the City Hall last evening, Mr. Danby in the chair, it was decided to have a Yorkshire Dinner on 7th March. Mr. Arthur Chapman was appointed Hon. Secretary. Yorkshiremen who were not present are requested to communicate with him. A sub-committee was appointed to carry out the arrangements.

R.A.O.B.

The R.A.O.B. Club No. 1, Queen's Road East, having been taken over by the King Edward VII. Lodge (No. 910) the members are holding an informal dance on Saturday next at 8 p.m. A large number of invitations have been sent out. A special launch will run to convey the Kowloon residents back. So far everything looks as if the dance will be a great success, as there is a heavy demand for invitations.

LAUNCH OF RIVER STEAMER AT KOWLOON.

THE S.S. "LIN TAN."

This steamer, built to order of the West River S.S. companies, was launched at the Hongkong & Whampoa Co.'s Kowloon Docks yesterday afternoon. The vessel is a twin-screw craft 175 feet between perpendiculars by 32 feet by nine feet, being capable of carrying a deadweight of 260 tons on a draught of 6 feet 6 inches. Her length is limited to enable her to pass the quiet bends on the river, and her depth and draft are also limited. She is provided with very full accommodation, having a few staterooms with sleeping accommodation for first and second class passengers on the upper deck, besides large spaces on the main-deck for Chinese third-class passengers. Machinery consists of ordinary compound engines supplied with steam by a very large single ended boiler. As she lay awaiting baptism she made a very pretty spectacle, numerous flags flying over her white-painted hull. Mrs. May performed the launching ceremony, others present including H. E. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., Mr. Ponsonby (private secretary to H.E.) Major General and Mrs. Villiers Hatton, C.B., Vice-Admiral C. G. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. W. B. Dixon (manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.), Mr. D. R. Law (of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) who represented the West River S.S. companies, Engineer-Capt. North (Naval Yard), Capt. F. D. and Mrs. Goddard, Capt. A. W. Outerbridge, Dr. Nobis, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay, Mr. H. C. Wilcox, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. E. S. Wheeler, Hoa, Gerahon Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Tomkins, Mr. T. P. Cochrane, Mr. W. Wilson (Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.), Mr. B. Layton, and Mr. A. G. Wood.

Mr. D. R. Law presented a handsome bouquet in a silver holder to Mrs. May, and, in so doing, said that on behalf of the owners of the steamer, which Mrs. May had so graciously consented to launch, he had the honour to present her the flowers as a token of their gratification at her having been able, among her other numerous important engagements, to find time to perform the ceremony.

All ready Mrs. May cut the cord, thereby releasing the dog-shore holding the vessel. For some few minutes the vessel did not move, the hydraulic jack to give her the first impetus not seeming to shove hard enough. At length, however, she commenced to slide down the well greased ways, Mrs. May breaking a bottle of champagne on her bows, while the crowd on the platform waved their hats and gave three cheers. The vessel, ever gathering speed, took the water very nicely, afterwards being hauled alongside.

Mr. W. B. DIXON, addressing the assembly, said that on behalf of the Dock Company he had the greatest pleasure in seeing the ladies present at the launch. The Lin Tan was the first of a series for Mr. Law. He also availed himself of the opportunity to thank Mrs. May and would ask her to accept a little souvenir of the occasion. The souvenir was a handsome gold bracelet.

Mr. D. R. Law on behalf of the owners joined the builders in expressing their warmest thanks for Mrs. May's kindness in launching the Lin Tan so successfully and graciously. He called for three cheers for the ladies.

When everyone was comfortably seated in the Dock Ball-room Mr. Dixon wished success to the good ship Lin Tan. The youngster had taken her first stop. She was intended for the West River and would probably accommodate from 150 to 200 passengers. There would be not more than 12 berths for Europeans; 15 or 20, however, could be carried if the sofas were utilised. Chinese first-class berths would number about 30 and other Chinese could smoke their pipes comfortably below. He was very pleased to avail himself of the occasion to thank Mr. Law for the order. There were still three months in which to complete the vessel; six months had gone. He begged to propose success to the vessel, coupling with the toast the name of his friend Mr. Law, who was a stiff business man,

## HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presided, and there were also present Hon. W. Thatham, Director of Public Works; Mr. Fung W. Chun; Colonel W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C.; Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C.; Mr. E. A. Hewett, Mr. A. Rumjahn, Dr. W. W. Pearce, Acting Medical Officer of Health; Dr. B. Barnett, Assistant Medical Officer of Health; Mr. G. A. Woodcock (Secretary) and Mr. J. H. Kemp (Assistant Secretary).

## SHENKONGTSUI MARKET.

Correspondence was submitted relative to the stalls in Shenkongtsui Market, and on the motion of the President, seconded by Mr. Fung W. Chun, it was agreed that stalls 11 to 13 be used for the sale of fruit and vegetables.

## THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND BUILDINGS BILL.

The Acting M. O. H. moved:—As my refusal to countersign certificates of occupation of new buildings which do not comply with the amended Act, 193 of the P. H. O. has already caused opposition from architects, I wish to draw the attention of the Board to this section particularly. Throughout the Colony there are a great number of ground floor rooms with no glazed window area which can be counter to legislation under section 153. Whichever such rooms are used as shops and are open in front all day the want of window area is not felt, but when these rooms are used for other purposes, e.g., family houses, opium-divans, common lodging-houses, etc., it becomes important to insist on section 153 being complied with. I should like the Board, in view of the great opposition which will be encountered, to state their decision as to whether they wish this section enforced without exception or not, and I will then instruct the inspectors in accordance with their decision.

The President minute:—The Board might make a ruling that no action shall be taken if the ground floors are used as shops, as it is not the custom to have glass fronts. Mr. Hewett minute:—I agree with Mr. Pollock, if the shops are not also used as sleeping rooms.

Mr. Rumjahn minute:—It would be better that the upper portion of shop fronts should be provided with a netting of small iron bars, placed conveniently apart to admit air during sleeping hours as shown on a sketch submitted by me in one or two committee meetings.

Mr. Pollock minute:—In the case of shops, some relaxation of the strict enforcement of the provisions appears to be desirable.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minute:—I agree with Mr. Pollock.

The D. P. W. minute:—I agree with Mr. Pollock.

The President said this matter now came under Section 19 of Ord. 23 of 1903 by which each room must have a window area one-tenth of the floor area and one-half of that area must be glazed. Shops were rooms, but he did not think it was ever intended that this should apply to shops; and it occurred to him that it might be advisable that the Board should make a ruling to the effect that no action be taken if these ground floors were used as shops.

The custom in the Colony was for the shops to open during the day and closed with shutters during the night.

Mr. Hewett asked if these shops were not used as sleeping-rooms?

Dr. Pearce said in 99 cases out of 100 they are slept in.

The Vice-President moved that in connection with this matter no action be taken by the Board in requiring a glazed area in the case of shop fronts so long as they were used as shops.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded and the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Hewett, who did not vote, said, when referred to by the President, that they must nevertheless take the fact that nearly all these shops were used as sleeping rooms.

The Vice-President remarked that that did not affect the question, for when people were asleep it was dark at night, and there was no effect in having a glass window in the place.

## SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS.

The President moved: "That the Board, under the provisions of Section 30 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, despatch Inspector S. M. Gidley to institute summary proceedings before a Magistrate aginst any person contravening any of the Bye-laws duly made under Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, when so directed in writing by one of the Medical Officers of Health, also that the Board, under the provisions of Section 256 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, despatch Inspector S. M. Gidley to institute summary proceedings before a Magistrate for the recovery of any penalty imposed by Part II. of the said Ordinance or any Bye-laws made thereunder, when so directed in writing by one of the Medical Officers of Health."

The Vice-President seconded.

Hon. Mr. Pollock thought that the number of prosecuting inspectors should be limited as much as possible, as there was a lot of time wasted while the inspectors were waiting on their cases coming on at the Police Court.

The President said there were only two such inspectors.

The motion was agreed to.

There was submitted a letter from the Sanitary Surveyor recommending that Inspector E. Duncan be deputed by the Board to institute summary proceedings and recover penalties.

The President moved that this appointment be made.

The Vice-President seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

## MOTION BY COLONEL WEBB.

Colonel Webb had given notice of the following motion:—"That the Board recommend the Government to take the necessary steps to improve the sanitary condition (up to the military boundary) of the road leading from Hill Street to Lower Belcher Fort, and to supply adequate latrine accommodation for the Chinese in this part."

Mr. Rumjahn minute:—There is a public latrine immediately below the Belcher's Fort, in Queen's Road West, on the site of the old slaughter-house.

Colonel Webb said the state of this road was dangerous to the health of the men of the garrison and the Chinese in the neighbourhood. In the middle of the street was a channel which was used by the Chinese as a latrine and which smelt very objectionably. He suggested that this be covered over and a latrine put up near the place.

The President said that when the M. O. H. was informed by Colonel Webb of the existence of this nuisance he visited the spot and correspondence had been started between the P.W.D., the Forestation Department, and the Police in order to mitigate it as far as possible.

Dr. Pearce stated that his inspection of this place showed, at the complaint of the military authorities were justified, but the only thing he could see for it was to have continuous police supervision.

The President moved that the C.S.P. be asked to take such steps as might be necessary for the abatement of this nuisance.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded, and the amendment was agreed to.

## OPUM-DIVANS.

Further correspondence relative to concreting the floors of opium-divans on the upper stories was considered by the Board.

On the motion of the President it was agreed that a sufficient flooring for the upper floors of such divans be smooth-faced cement tiles.

## MODIFICATION.

Messrs. Palmer and Turner again wrote to the Board with reference to the application of the 30th ult. respecting the proposed houses on L. No. 679 for which they asked for a modification of the requirements of sect. 180 of Ordinance 1 of 1903. It will be remembered that the Board submitted there was no power to make the modification, and applicants now write that sect. 1—to give—the Board the power, wherein it stated "and may, in any case, make such modification as may be recommended by the Board." It would have been more correct, perhaps, they wrote, had we applied for a modification of the requirements of Ordinance 1 of 1903 with respect to the open space to be provided in the rear of the houses by the owner. They, therefore, amended the application for the consideration of the Board.

The D.P.W. minute:—I am in favour of recommending this application to the Governor in Council. The type of house is a good one, and owing to the configuration of the ground, the houses will stand above those in the rear of them.

This was agreed to.

## WASHING SOILED CLOTHES.

In consequence of a complaint having been made by Miss Johnson,airline, Bonham Road, respecting the habit of a large number of Chinese washing soiled clothes in the north surface channel opposite her house, and the fact that the smell from the channel was at times very offensive, Inspector T. P. Connolly laid the matter before the secretary, and the acting Medical Officer of Health reported that the Sanitary Board can prohibit the washing of clothes there. It would be well to do this, he wrote, as the water from the Bonham Road pumping engine is sometimes used for washing in.

Dr. Atkins minute:—If the members approve a public notice will be put up prohibiting this.

Mr. E. A. Hewett minute:—Prohibit. The Sanitary Board should do what is possible to enable the Chinese to obtain water for washing clothes.

Mr. Rumjahn minute:—Yes, agreed.

Mr. Pollock minute:—Prohibit by notice.

Col. Webb minute:—Prohibit.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minute:—The Chinese cannot wash their clothes there because they cannot obtain a sufficient supply from the main. Before prohibiting it the board ought to see that they give a sufficient supply for washing purposes.

The Acting Registrar-General minute:—Cannot this hot water, which is now running to waste, be taken down to the corner of High Street and Pokfulam Road? It would be found very useful, I think, by the Chinese in Third Street and High Street.

The President moved that a notice-board be placed there warning these people not to wash clothes in these channels.

The Vice-President seconded and the motion was agreed to.

## CHINESE FIREPLACES.

Correspondence was laid on the table relative to Chinese fireplaces, etc., with tracings showing same.

On the motion of the President, seconded by Hon. Mr. Pollock, it was agreed that in cases where there were properly constructed flues, the Board should not insist on having hoods also.

Mr. Hewett remarked that that should be conditional on the Chinese putting their chaffies on the fireplaces. When there was no room there they often put a row of chaffies in other parts of the room. The inspectors would have to keep a look-out for them.

Dr. Pearce:—It is absolutely impossible to prevent the Chinese from putting chaffies in the corners of their rooms.

Dr. Pearce:—Then I would suggest that the inspectors break them if they find them there.

## SCREENS AND CUBICLES.

A minute by the M.C.H. was submitted relative to cubicles and screens on ground floors.

The President moved that these screens be allowed so long as they were of light material and were drawn aside during the day. It had been suggested that they could not even have a mosquito-net.

Mr. Hewett seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

## HEALTHY HONGKONG.

Against the mortality statistics Mr. Rumjahn had minute: "Who said Hongkong was not a healthy place?" and he backed this up by quoting figures showing that for the first three-quarters of December the rate per 1,000 in Hongkong was over two points lower than those of the city of London and seven or eight large towns.

The Vice-President said that he had heard so much lately of the unhealthiness of Hongkong that it was very satisfactory to learn about our low death-rate.

The President reminded the Board, however, that Hongkong differed very much from London in respect that the great majority of the population here consisted of adults from 20 to 40 years of age.

There was no other important public business before the meeting.

## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 28th January.

## IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

J. LLEWELLYN AND CO., SHANGHAI.

Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. D. Piper, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, solicitors), appeared in support of a petition for the reduction of the capital of J. Llewellyn & Co., Limited and Reduced, Shanghai. This petition, he said, was made under Section 11 of Ordinance 1 of 1877. He asked his Lordship to confirm the reduction of capital which had been passed by special resolution of the Company. From the affidavit his Lordship would see that a certain amount of capital had been lost or was unrepresented by available assets, and the special resolution which was passed by the Company was that the capital be reduced from \$120,000 divided into 1,200 shares of \$100 each to \$72,000 divided into 1,200 shares of \$60 each, and that such reduction be effected by cancelling capital which had been lost or was unrepresented by available assets by reducing the nominal amount of the shares in the Company's capital from \$100 to \$60. The Lordship after hearing further evidence gave judgment for the plaintiffs for \$100 and costs.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 29th at 11 A.M. The barometer has fallen over Japan, risen along the China coast.

A high pressure area lies over N. China, and pressure is relatively low over the N.E. of Japan and over the S. part of the China Sea.

Gradually moderate with strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; haze.

was on record an affidavit by the manager of the Bank in Shanghai to the effect that he had no objection to this proposed reduction of capital.

His Lordship made an order confirming the resolution.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## AN INSUFFICIENT ESTATE.

In the matter of Fung Ting, deceased, ex parte Leung Tsoi Tai, Mr. H. K. Holmes, solicitor, appeared in support of an application for a modification of the requirements of sect. 180 of Ordinance 1 of 1903. It will be remembered that the Board submitted there was no power to make the modification, and applicants now write that sect. 1—to give—the Board the power, wherein it stated "and may, in any case, make such modification as may be recommended by the Board." It would have been more correct, perhaps, they wrote, had we applied for a modification of the requirements of Ordinance 1 of 1903 with respect to the open space to be provided in the rear of the houses by the owner. They, therefore, amended the application for the consideration of the Board.

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1904. [10-11]

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [371]

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [334]

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [330]

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Fresh revelations in the phenomena of high temperatures have been brought by the new quartz vessels of German makers. These vessels bear great heat without softening, and may be exhausted of air, while one end of a quartz tube may be safely cooled and the other end kept very hot. In such tubes, heated in an electric furnace, German chemists have been studying the fusing and vaporisation of metals in a vacuum. The varying behaviour of zinc, cadmium, selenium, tellurium, lead, antimony, tin, bismuth, silver, copper and gold have been watched, the evaporation of cadmium beginning at 320 deg. C., while gold—the most refractory metal tried—is distilled but little at 1375 deg.

The peculiar atmospheric or solar phenomenon known as Bishop's Ring seems to be of rare appearance. It was first observed in Honolulu by the Rev. Sereno Bishop, a few days after the Krakatoa eruption of 1883, and it has been seen but few times since. Mr. Forel has reported noting it on the first three days of last August from a height of 6,500 feet in the Alps. It appeared as a double ring around the sun, the inner portion being of bluish-silver colour, while the outer part was a band of copper, 20 deg. wide, shading off into the blue of space.

Brain development is found by Prof. Segel of Munich, to have two periods of acceleration—from 10 to 11 and from 17 to 18 in girls, and from 12 to 13 and 19 to 20 in boys. At the period of most rapid increase in height, from 12 to 14 years, the growth of the brain is less than one-hundredth that of the body, but at 17 it grows one-thirtieth as fast, and at 20 reaches one-seventh of the body growth.

Carbon is the basis of all organic products, and a striking discovery of Julius Wagner, a Petersburg chemist, is that this element may be made to enter into various combinations with oxygen and hydrogen by simple electrolysis of water charged with carbonic acid gas, the results being several sugars and vegetable acids from one form of simple apparatus.

The water was charged with the gas evolved on pouring hydrochloric acid on marble. The anodes of the electric apparatus were brushes of platinum and the cathodes were preferably of clay or silicates of aluminum with large surface. The solutions about the anode and cathode were enclosed in separate clay recipients, that of the anode being kept 5 deg. C. warmer than the other by a lamp. The current was gradually increased both in power and in intensity, and at 2 volts and 0.75 amperes oxalic acid appeared, being soon followed by tartaric acid, and by citric acid at 4 volts and 2.25 amperes. Fruit sugar was produced at 5 volts and 3 amperes, then grape sugar. The richness of the products in carbon seems to increase with increase in current and intensity.

A collection of pictures by colour-blind persons formed a late novel exhibition by Dr. F. W. Edridge-Green before a London society. Dr. Green divides the colour-blind into two distinct and associated classes. The first consists of persons with a spectrum shortened at one or both ends, who consequently cannot see certain rays; and an individual with a shortening of the red end would not see a red light at a distance, although able to pick out all pieces in a mixture of coloured wools. The second class are unable to recognise certain colours. Normal sighted persons see six colours, some even seven;

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Sycamore is an exceedingly durable wood, and a statue from it, now in the museum of Gizeh, is reported sound and natural in appearance, although nearly 6,000 years old.

The problem of wind-power for electric stations has been studied for several years by Prof. La Cour, in the interest of the Danish Government. To overcome the difficulty of irregular speed, the motor is provided with an intermediate shaft in connection with a balance, and the belt from the windmill is led vertically on the side of this shaft, the pressure on the latter being regulated by the balance bearing convenient counter-weights. Through this device the belt slides on the disc as soon as the load exceeds a given maximum. A wind-power plant, supplying about 50 amperes of current at 110 volts, has been in operation about a year at Askov, Denmark, and feeds about 450 incandescent lamps. It has given excellent results, with little attention, calms of several days being bridged over by a reserve of petroleum motors.

A German chemist describes a new cement, composed of casein and some tannic acid compound, that becomes very hard when dry, and is then insoluble in water, oils, petroleum, etc. In preparing it calcium tannate may be obtained by adding clear lime water to a tannin solution until no further precipitation occurs, then pouring off the liquid and drying the precipitate. The calcium tannate is mixed with casein in proportions ranging from 1 to 1 up to 1 to 10. The dried mixture is reduced to powder, which is ready for use on adding water to any desired consistency.

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The serum obtained by inoculating horses with cobra venom, so effective in the practice of Calmette, has been found by Dr. Tidwell to have no power in counter-acting the venom of Australian snakes. Other experiments seem to prove that the anti-rattlesnake serum is only

active against poison of snakes of the same species as that supplying the venom of the serum.

From the latest measurements by Curie, it is estimated that the energy of 15 pounds of radium, fully utilised, would run a one horsepower engine many centuries.

JAPAN'S WAR ADVANTAGE.

A representative of the Exchange Telegraph Co., who had formerly for many years held an official position in the Far East, told the *Daily Chronicle* last month what he thought likely to happen when war breaks out between Japan and Russia. He said:

"As to the result of a conflict, I fail to see what the Russian fleet can do. Vessels foul very fast in those waters. Even to save a week or ten days anchorage in Hongkong Harbour the mail-boats are sent up the Canton River to Whampoa." [This is a rather remarkable statement.] "Where they lie in fresh water, and the weeds and barnacles drop off to a certain extent; at any rate, they do not accumulate. I once journeyed from Hakodate to Yokohama in a Japanese steamer, which had such an immense accumulation of barnacles that a man could walk round the outside of the ship on the projections. This was supposed to be a 12-knot boat, but with every stitch of canvas set and a full load of steam six knots was the utmost speed obtainable. Of course, this was before the Japanese had built docks of their own. What then, must be the condition of the first-class battleships and cruisers of the Russian fleet, for which no docks are available? Certainly the ships that have made long voyages out must not only require docking, but in all probability will require extensive refitting and repairs as well."

"The Russian fleet, under such circumstances, cannot venture far out from its base, and then only in full force, liable to an attack by an enemy who can easily steam round it. Then, again, the Japanese possess an enormous advantage in the Island Sea, which forms their Panama Canal. Their fast boats can reconnoitre from either end, intercept and capture colliers and transports, as well as locate any lame duck or foul-bottomed man-of-war. Thus, while the Russians cannot force their own waters, the Japanese can manoeuvre freely and choose their own time and place of attack, well knowing that the longer they put matters of the worse it will be for the fast-fouling Russian vessels."

"The Russian army is, no doubt, a brave and powerful force, but it must be to a great extent dependent upon the maintenance of its connections with its base, and as these consist of a single line of railway thousands of miles in length, I ask if it is possible to conceive that such a line can be efficiently protected in war time against an active and resolute enemy? If I am correct, there can be only one end to such a conflict—viz., the defeat of the Russian navy, and consequent thereto the compulsory withdrawal of their army."

## COREA.

According to the N.C. *Daily News* Tokyo correspondent, there is a popular outbreak in Southern Corea, but it has no political importance. The temper of the Korean troops in Seoul, however, does not seem to be trusted much, for the *Mainsan* publishes a telegram from that city on the 15th inst. to the following effect:—The Korean Government have ordered their soldiers to avoid any dispute with the foreign troops and not to return fire if they are attacked. The eight thousand Korean soldiers in Seoul are confined to their barracks. Some of them have deserted on account of the severe cold, but on the whole they are very quiet and orderly. Mr. McLeary Brown, Superintendent of the Korean Customs, has visited the barracks of the Korean troops at Suwon and removed the more important portions of thirteen machine guns. The majority of the Korean guns are of no value, being of old pattern, but the above-mentioned thirteen weapons were of the latest type and were regarded as of some value in case of war. It was reported some time ago that the Russians will accommodate the Korean Emperor in the Russian Legation and then provoke the Korean soldiers to fire on the foreign Legations, as the Boxers did in Peking, but the number of the Russian troops in Seoul is not sufficient for the carrying out of such a daring action, and the Russians are, in fact, very quiet.

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MOYUNE"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"GLAUCUS"	On 5th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PAK LING"	On 12th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MENELAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"RHIPHEUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

HOMEBWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM and LONDON...	"DIOMED"	On 2nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"NESTOR"	On 5th February.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"AJAX"	On 20th March.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"PAK LING"	On 29th March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"AGAMEMNON"	On 24th February.
The s.s. "PINGSUEY" has arrived, and sails for Japan and Pacific ports to-day.		
For Freight, apply to	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.	
Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.		[10-11]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
LIMITED.

PORT	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	On 29th January.	
CEBU	"HUNAN"	On 29th January.	
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, GAIRES, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"ANHUI"	On 30th Jan., NOON.	
ILOIO	"ICHANG"	On 1st February.	
MANILA	"CHILI"	On 3rd February.	
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHANGSHA"	On 8th February.	
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.			
† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.			
† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.			
REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS (See Special Advertisement).			
For Freight or Passage, apply to	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.		
Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.		[12]	

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON, &c.	{ BENGAL { G. Phillips	Noon, 30th January	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	{ CHUHAN { W. B. Palmer, R.N.Z.	About 1st February	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MELBOURNE	{ PALEMO { E. G. Andrews	About 14th February	Freight only.
For further Particulars, apply to	E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.		
Hongkong, 28th January, 1904.			[1]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS OF THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTYC PORTS, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES	Freight & Passengers.
WURZBURG Capt. v. Binzer	HAURE, BREMEN and HAMBURG	On 31st Jan.	Freight & Passengers.
ALESIA Capt. Schönenfeldt	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 31st Jan.	Passengers.
C. FERD. LAEISZ Capt. Sachs	HAURE and HAMBURG	On 9th Feb.	Freight.
SITHONIA Capt. Hildebrandt	HAURE and HAMBURG	On 27th Feb.	Freight.
SAMBIA Capt. Schmidt	HAURE and HAMBURG	On 8th Mar.	Freight.
ANDALUSIA Capt. v. Döhren	HAURE and HAMBURG	On 22nd Mar.	Freight.
For Further Particulars, apply to	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 5th April.	Freight.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, NO. 1.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.  
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG via INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR PORTLAND, OREGON  
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON  
INDRAVELLI 4,899 R. P. Craven January 30, 1904  
INDRAPURA 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth February 13, 1904  
INDRASAMHA 5,197 W. E. Craven March 15, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1904.

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"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY."

Captain Stalder, will be despatched as above

on TUESDAY, the 2nd February.

For Freight, apply to

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [275]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

1903. About

"SIKH" ... 5th Feb.

"SAGAMI" ... 6th Feb.

"MACDUFF" ... 1st Mar.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO. LTD.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1904. [112]

GRACA & CO., FOREIGN AND COLONIAL STAMP DEALERS.

No. 55, PHIL STREET, HONGKONG,

Will be glad to send STAMPS on approval to any address on receipt of satisfactory references.

Are also prepared to purchase used POSTAGE STAMPS in Large or Small Quantities for Cash.

AGENTS WANTED.

15 to 25 per cent. Discount Allowed. [314]

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Profusely Illustrated, descriptive of the people, Customs, &c., of the Far East.

The kindly Prescriptions, both Continental and American, that the production of this Magazine has evoked is eloquent testimony of the sterling merit of the publication.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY, the 21st inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. [320]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SITHONIA."

Captain Hildebrandt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY, the 21st inst.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [287]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

INSURANCES

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FIRE and LIFE.

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THE Undersigned are prepared to accept

First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS

against FIRE at Current Rates.

Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSUR-

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## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Books containing stamps of the following denominations may be obtained at the counter of General Post Office for \$1.00 each—  
 16 stamps at 4 cents  
 12 " " 2 "  
 12 " " 1 "  
 Letters and Postcards are now received for transmission to Europe via Dalny and the Trans-Siberian Railway, and should be marked accordingly. No Printed matter can be accepted. Unpaid or underpaid correspondence cannot be forwarded. The Rate of Postage by this route will be same as at present, i.e., the Suez Canal.  
 Letters intended to go by this route should be posted not later than the Wednesday in each week, so as to catch the fast Russian Boat from Shanghai to Dalny which leaves Shanghai every Sunday.  
 The Chusan, with the English Mail of 1st inst., left Singapore on Monday, the 26th inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 31st inst. This Packet brings reply to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 28th November.  
 The Steamer, with the American mail, left Yokohama on Monday, the 25th inst., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 1st prox.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton		
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok		
Swatow, Amoy and Tamen		
Swatow		
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Port Arthur, Dalny, Nagasaki & Vladivostock		
Macao		
Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle, Tacoma		
Cebu and Sandakan		
Shanghai		
Kobe		
Kobe and Yokohama		
Kobe		
Nantao		
Amoy		
Macau		
Canton		
Moji, Salina, Cruz, Mexico, and Portland O.		
Amoy		
Bangkok		
Hainan		
Manila		
Saigon		
Macau, Amy and Tamsui		
Kobe, Yokohama and Portland O.		
Manila		
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne		
Europe &c., India via Tuticorin		
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Macau		
Europe, &c., India via Tukkorin		
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TO-MORROW.  
 Sale, Japanese curios, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.  
 Performance, Theatre Royal, City Hall, 8 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

28th January.

ON LONDON.—	1.93
Telegraphic Transfer	1.93
Bank Bills, on demand	1.91
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1.94
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1.90
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1.90
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1.90
ON PARIS.—	928
Bank Bills, on demand	928
ON GERMANY.—	186
On demand	186
ON NEW YORK.—	441
Bank Bills, on demand	441
ON HONOLULU.—	134
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON CALCUTTA.—	134
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON SHANGHAI.—	74
Bank, at sight	74
Private, 30 days' sight	72
YOKOHAMA.—On demand	593
MANILA.—On demand	Nominal
SINGAPORE.—On demand	Nominal
BATAVIA.—On demand	108
HAIKONG.—On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
SAIGON.—On demand	1 p.c.p.m.
BANGKOK.—On demand	62
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.05
GOLD LEADS, 100 fine, per tael	58
BAR SILVER, per oz.	25%
OPIUM.	26th January.
Quotations are:—Allowances net, to 1 ratty.	
Malva New .....\$830 to \$950 per pound	
Malva Old .....\$970 to \$990 "	
Malva Old .....\$1010 to \$1030 "	
Malva V. Old .....\$1050 to \$1070 "	
Per Malva, no quality \$910 to —	
Per Malva New .....\$1300 to — per chest	
Patna Old .....to —	
Banaras New .....\$12974 to —	
Baras Old .....to —	

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
 The P. & O. steamer *Chusan* left Singapore for the port of the 25th inst., at 6 a.m., and is due here on the 31st inst., at about 8 a.m.  
 THE GERMAN MAIL.  
 The Imperial German mail steamer *Sachsen* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 25th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 2nd prox.  
 The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz* left Colombo on the 23rd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 4th prox.  
 THE INDIAN MAIL.  
 The Indo-China steamer *Sufang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 28th inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on the 3rd prox.  
 THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
 The P.M. steamer *Siberia*, from San Francisco to the 7th inst., via Honolulu, left Yokohama

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 28th January.

COMPANY	Paid Up.	Quotations.
Banks— Hongkong & Shai.	\$125	\$465. London 4.62.
Natl. Bank of China		
A. Shares ..... B. Shares ..... Four Shares ..... Self's Associate E. A. C. Corporation		\$25 buyers \$25 buyers \$21 10" \$10, nominal
Canton-Hongkong Ice Campbell, Atkinson & Co. China-Borneo Co. Ltd. China Light and Power Co. Ltd. China Prov. L. & M. China Sugar		\$10 10" \$10 10" \$12 10" buyers \$10 10" \$10 10" ex div. sales \$100 10" sold. 12"
Upper Companies— Aihamia, Ltd. Philippines Co. Ltd.		\$600 \$200. 10 10" buyers
Cotton Mills— Evo International	Tls. 50	Tls. 38, sellers
Lau Kung Mow Soyesches— Lau Kung	Tls. 75	Tls. 224, buyers
Dairy Farm— Trevick Island Cement	Tls. 500	Tls. 374, buyers
Longkong Electric		\$10 10" sales
H. H. L. Transport		\$10 10" buyers
Stearin Waterboat Co. Ltd.		\$10 10" buyers
Hongkong Hotel		\$60 147, sellers
H. K. Wharf & Co. Hongkong Ropeway		\$25 240, sellers
H. W. Deck Insurance— Canton		\$10 90, sellers
China Fire— China Traders'		\$50 175, sellers
Hongkong Fire		\$25 160, sellers
Auria China		\$50 130, sellers
Union China		\$100 145, buyers
Langham— Hongkong Land Inv.		\$100 125, sellers
Humphreys		\$100 100, ex div., sell's
Do. Preference		\$11 11, sellers
Kauba		\$10 25, ex div.
Power, Ltd.		\$10 10" buyers
Steamship Cos.— China and Manilla		\$22 56, buyers
Douglas Steamboat Co. Ltd.		\$50 131, buyers
Inco-Caine S. A. S. S. Transport		\$10 10" buyers
Trucking Co. J. Do. Preference		\$21 10" nominal
Do. Prater		\$10 10" nominal
Naumay Dock		\$10 10" buyers
Powers, Ltd.		\$10 10" buyers
Steamship Cos.— China and Manilla		\$50 100, buyers
Teakwood Planting Co. Ltd.		\$50 100, nominal
United Asbestos Co. Do.		\$10 10" buyers
Watkins, Ltd.		\$10 10" buyers
Watson & Co., A.S.		\$10 10" buyers
VEENON & SMYTH, Brokers		

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 28th January to the 3rd February.

LOW WATER.	HIGH WATER.
Week Day of Month	Hongkong Mean Tide.
Jan. 28	4.21
Feb. 1	5.31
Feb. 4	6.41
Feb. 7	7.51
Feb. 10	8.61
Feb. 13	9.71
Feb. 16	10.81
Feb. 19	11.91
Feb. 22	13.01
Feb. 25	14.11
Feb. 28	15.21
Mar. 1	16.31
Mar. 4	17.41
Mar. 7	18.51
Mar. 10	19.61
Mar. 13	20.71
Mar. 16	21.81
Mar. 19	22.91
Mar. 22	24.01
Mar. 25	25.11
Mar. 28	26.21
Mar. 31	27.31
Feb. 1	28.41
Feb. 4	29.51
Feb. 7	30.61
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Mar. 22	31.31
Mar. 25	32.41
Mar. 28	33.51
Mar. 31	34.61
Feb. 1	35.71
Feb. 4	36.81
Feb. 7	37.91
Feb. 10	39.01
Feb. 13	40.11
Feb. 16	41.21
Feb. 19	42.31
Feb. 22	43.41
Feb. 25	44.51
Feb. 28	45.61
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